

Abstract

An airbag apparatus includes an airbag module and at least one
4 covering device, behind which, in a closing position, an
airbag expanding by gas inflation is accommodated and which,
to release the expanding airbag, can be moved out of the
closing position into an open position by using a mechanism.
8 The mechanism contains a first mechanism component, which is
coupled firmly to the airbag module, and a second mechanism
component, which is coupled firmly to the covering device. The
airbag module forms, together with the first mechanism
12 component, a unit ready for installation. A mounting method
and an operating method for such an airbag apparatus are also
provided.